

Good King Wenceslas

Englisches Weihnachtslied
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Brightly *Melodie*

Sopran

1. Good King Wen-ces - las look'd out on the Feast of Ste - phen,

Alt

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Bass

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when the snow lay round a - bout, deep, and crisp and e - ven;

when the snow lay round a - bout, deep, and crisp and e - ven;

When the snow lay round, deep and crisp and e - even;

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bright - ly shone the moon that night, though the frost was cru - el,

bright - ly shone the moon that night, though the frost was cru - el,

Bright - ly shone the moon though the frost was cru - el,

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when a poor man came in sight, gath'-ring win-ter fu - - el.

when a poor man came in sight gath' - ring win-ter fu - - - el.

when a poor man came in sight gath' - ring win-ter fu - - - el.

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2. "Hi - ther, stand by me, if thou know'st it, tell - ing.

2. "Hi - ther, stand by me, if thou know'st it, tel - ling,

Melodie

2. "Hi-ther, page, and stand by me, if thou know'st it tell - ing,

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who is he? Where and what his dwell - ing?"

who is he? Where and what his dwell - ing?"

yon-der pea - sant, who is he? Where and what his dwel - ling?"

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Sire, he lives un - der-neath the moun - tain;

Melodie

Sire, he lives a good league hence, un - der-neath the moun - tain;

Sire, he lives un - der - neath the moun - tain;

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right a - gainst the fence by the foun - tain.

right a-against the fo - rest fence, by Saint Ag-nes' foun - tain.

right a - gainst the fence by the foun - tain.

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3. Bring me wine, bring me pine-logs hi - ther;

3. Bring me wine, bring me pine-logs hi - ther;

Mel.
3. Bring me flesh and bring me wine, bring me pine-logs hi - ther;

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he will dine, when we bear them thi - ther."

he will dine, when we bear them thi - ther."

thou and I will see him dine, when we bear them thi - ther."

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Mel.
Page and mo-narch forth they went, forth they went to - ge - ther;

Page and mo-narch forth they went, forth they went to - ge - ther;

Page and mo - narch forth they went to - ge - ther.

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through the rude wind's wild la - ment, and the bit-ter wea - - - ther.

through the rude wind's wild la - ment, and the bit-ter wea - - - - ther.

through the rude wind's wild la - ment, and the bit-ter wea - - - - ther.

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4. "Sire, the night is dar - ker now,

Mel.

4. "Sire, the night is dar - ker now, and the wind blows stron - ger;

4. "Sire, the night is dar - ker now,

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fails my heart I know not how.

fails my heart, I know not how, I can go no lon - ger."

fails my heart I know not how.

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Mark my foot steps, good my page! thou shalt

Mark my foot steps, good my page! thou shalt

Mel.

"Mark my foot-steps, good my page! Tread thou in them bold - ly; thou shalt find the

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find the win-ter's rage freeze thy blood less cold - ly.

find the win-ter's rage freeze thy blood less cold - ly.

win-ter's rage freeze thy blood less cold - ly."

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5. In his mas-ter's steps he trod, where the snow lay din - ted,

5. In his mas-ter's steps he trod, where the snow lay din - ted,

5. In his mas-ter's steps where the snow lay din - ted,

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heat was in the ve - ry sod, which the Saint had prin - ted.

heat was in the ve - ry sod, which the Saint had prin - ted.

heat was in the sod, which the Saint had prin - ted.

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There-fore, Chris-tian men, be sure, wealth or rank pos - sess - ing,

There-fore, Chris-tian men, be sure, wealth or rank pos - sess - ing,

There - fore, men, be sure, wealth or rank pos - sess - ing,

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ye who now will bless the poor, shall your-selves find bless - ing.

ye who now will bless the poor, shall your-selves find bless - ing.

ye who now will bless the poor, shall your-selves find bless - ing.